

ROAD MATERIAL IS VERY FINE

Analysis Shows That It is Superior in Quality.

ALACHUA ROCK TAKES LEAD

Director Dodge, in His Report, States That Deposits Analyzed From Florida Are Worth a Million Dollars to State.

It will be gratifying news to the people of Alachua county, especially at this season, to know that the deposits of rock and other road-building material in this county are equal to the best in the United States for paving purposes, as has been proven by analysis of the road inquiry department of the United States government at Washington.

It will be remembered that a few weeks ago the government road expert, Col. W. L. Spoon, paid Alachua county a visit for the purpose of securing samples of material for analysis, in order to determine the most durable material for road building in this section. He submitted these samples, with others, to the road inquiry department, and in his report Hon. Martin Dodge, director, says:

"In view of the great interest the question of road building is receiving in Florida, the deposits of road building material found and submitted for analysis to the road inquiry department of the government, are worth a million dollars to the State."

"The larger portion of these samples came from Alachua county," remarked Senator Mann, State organizer for good roads, in an interview with The Times-Union Monday, "and Senator Dodge has expressed the opinion that such material is as good for road making as the famous trap rock found in New Jersey."

Road Machinery Coming.

The following communication has been issued by State Organizer Mann, which contains much valuable information in regard to the coming of the road-making machinery and the result of the analysis of road material sent to Washington by Col. Spoon:

"The public will be pleased to know that Col. W. L. Spoon, who will be in charge of the sample road work, January 19, 20 and 21, at Jacksonville, Fla., is again in the State, having arrived yesterday morning. He informs me that the Board of County Commissioners and the committee of the Board of Trade have decided that this sample mile shall be made in extending the line leading toward the beach.

"He also informs me that the machinery for doing this work has been shipped, and will arrive in Jacksonville some time before the 10th. About the 10th he hopes to begin this work. I am glad to be able to state also that he reports the analysis of several of the heavy deposits of road material found by him to equal the very best that have been tested by the department from any part of the United States.

Alachua Takes the Lead.

"He stated that Senator Dodge, who is in charge of the department, was greatly pleased, and remarked that these finds, in view of the great interest the question of roads was receiving from the State of Florida, were worth more than a million dollars. The rock analyzed, which was of high grade, represented a large deposit in Alachua county, and, in the opinion of Senator Dodge, such material was as good for road making as the famous trap rock found in New Jersey and some parts of New York State.

"Colonel Spoon assured me that we have in the sections he examined an immense amount of suitable road material, and he sees no reason why roads should not be constructed in Florida cheaper than in any other part of the country.

"He says the aim will be of the department to construct roads as good as the best and cheaper, if possible, than anywhere else, in their object lesson work in the State of Florida.

"Colonel Spoon has had a great deal of experience in making roads of clay and sand, and these he feels confident, by the use of machinery, can be made serviceable and durable at a very light cost, placing such roads within the reach of every section of our State.

Other Samples Wanted.

"The short time spent in this work in Florida by Col. Spoon has resulted in most wonderful discoveries, and leads me to hope that before the season closes, we shall be able to locate

ITCHING ECZEMA

In July, 1883, I began to break out with Eczema on my head, legs and arms, and began treatment with local doctors, but did not get much relief. They said the disease had become chronic. I then quit them and tried various ointments and soaps for another two years, but as soon as cold weather came I was as bad off as ever, so I finally decided to let medicine alone, and for twelve or thirteen years did nothing towards curing the Eczema, except bathing. This seemed to do about as much good as anything I had tried.

During the time I lost about one-half of my hair. I began S. S. S. doubtful of a cure, because the disease had run so long, but soon discovered your medicine was doing me good, and continued to take it. I used seven bottles, when I was completely cured, not having a single spot on my body, which before was almost completely covered. F. C. NORFOLK.
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The head, feet and hands are usually the parts affected, though the disease appears on other parts of the body. While external applications allay the itching and burning temporarily, it is the acids thrown off by the blood that cause the irritation and eruptions upon the skin. The acids must be neutralized and the system cleansed of all humors and poisons before the cure is permanent. S. S. S. is guaranteed entirely free of Potash, Arsenic and other minerals. Book on the skin and its diseases sent free. Medical advice furnished free.

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"That this work may not lag, I again urge upon every section to send samples of rock and other material which they may suspect to be of value for road construction to Col. W. L. Spoon, Road Expert, Jacksonville, Florida.

Work for Good of All.

"In conclusion, I ask the assistance in this good work for Florida, of each and every interested citizen, and I sincerely hope the press of the State will take the question up and discuss it, so that their many readers may be fully advised at all times as to their duty in the premises."

Will Come to Alachua.

The government, through the untiring efforts of Senator Mann, has consented to construct a mile of object-lesson road in Alachua county, and it is probable that the machinery will be placed in commission here as soon as the work has been completed in Duval county. The people of Alachua county are almost a unit in the matter of construction of hard roads, and it is expected that this object-lesson work will prove the basis of an excellent system of highways eventually.

Gainesville Wants Lesson.

At a recent special meeting of the City Council, which was held at the request of the Gainesville Board of Trade, a resolution was unanimously adopted requesting Director Dodge to permit the building of a mile of object-lesson street in the city, the council agreeing to bear the city's share of expense. It is likely that this request will be granted, although nothing has yet been heard from the resolution.

Bought Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Sent it to Friends.

Mr. F. W. J. Fletcher, a druggist in Victoria, Australia, says: "A customer of mine was so pleased with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which she had used for her children when suffering from colds and croup, that during a fortnight's time she obtained at my shop, nine bottles, which she sent to her friends in different parts of the State, telling them how much good it had done and advised them to give it a trial." For sale by all druggists.

Negro Jockey Hanged.

Winchester, Ky., Jan. 4.—John Hathaway, a negro, who, 15 years ago ranked high as a jockey, was hanged here today for the murder of Ella Thomas, his sweetheart. Hathaway was a well known rider in the days of Ike Murphy, Pike Barnes, Tom Britten and others and rode many mounts for Kentucky breeders and owners. Many efforts were made to release Hathaway, but of no avail. He was believed to be the first jockey of any note to meet death on the gallows.

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MRS. SAUNDERS' RECEPTION.

This Estimable Lady Entertained Nearly a Hundred Friends Tuesday.

One of the most important and delightful social functions of the season was the afternoon reception tendered by Mrs. Minoi B. Saunders at her elegant home, 208 North University street, Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock.

In her usual interesting manner Mrs. Saunders entertained nearly a hundred of her lady friends. She was assisted in the receiving line and in the entertaining by Mesdames Emily Van-Deventer, J. A. Goodwin, L. C. Lynch, R. E. Taylor, Benj. P. Richards, John Cheanut and Miss Nora Norton.

So anxious were a number of the more intimate friends of the clever hostess to spend a "long afternoon," that they came early, and it is needless to add that Mrs. Saunders was glad to see them at any time.

The afternoon was passed in a manner appropriate to the occasion. The beautiful home was appropriately decorated in holly, ivy and other evergreens, tastily set off with fragrant roses.

The refreshments consisted of salads of every description, wafers, five o'clock teas, olives and coffee.

At the conclusion of the reception Mrs. Saunders was the recipient of many congratulations and best wishes of the season.

Cured Lumbago.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with lumbago at different times and tried one physician after another; then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more, and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief. I can cheerfully recommend it, and will add my name to your list of former soldiers." 25c, 50c and \$1. Sold by W. M. Johnson.

Obituary.

Died, at Island Grove on December 23rd, 1904, Homer, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Crosby, aged three years.

Thus has the Angel of Death visited this little family circle and bore away upon its pinions the darling and pet of the household.

He was a bright child, and was the pride and joy of his parents. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to them in this dark hour of trial, and may they remember that "Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal." Thou hadst a little Homer once, Who was your joy and pride; You loved him, ah! perhaps too well, For soon he slept and died.

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T. J. Chambers, Editor Vindicator, Liberty, Texas, writes Dec. 25, 1902: "With pleasure and unsolicited by you, I bear testimony to the curative power of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it in my family and can cheerfully affirm it is the most effective and pleasant remedy for coughs and colds I have ever used." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by W. M. Johnson.

Southern Gets New Engines.

Charleston, Jan. 4.—In order to handle the heavy steamship freight, the Southern railway has had delivered two very powerful engines for use on the Charleston-Columbia division. The ocean freights are very heavy through Charleston and the order was placed for the engines with the Pittsburg Locomotive works which are capable of hauling 125 cars.

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Eighteen Injured in Wreck.

York, Pa., Jan. 4.—By the backing of a work train into a freight standing on the Northern Central track, 6 miles north of this city today, 18 men were injured, five so badly that their recovery is doubtful. A dozen doctors were sent from this city to the scene of the wreck.

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12:15 a.m. Daily	High Springs, Waycross, Savannah, Brunswick, Albany, Atlanta, all Points North, East West	8:15 p.m. Daily
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